Sanction for prosecution

1106. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1832 given in the Rajya Sabha on 9th March, 2006 and state:

(a) the names/designations of officials/politicians involved in above 95 cases;

(b) the number out of these 95 cases that pertain to trap, bribery, corruption, amassing disproportionate assets, abuse of authority, category-wise;

(c) the number out of them that have been pending for over two years, over one year and over six months, separately;

(d) the reasons for not according permission for their prosecution so far;

(e) by when this sanction is likely to be accorded;

(f) whether during last two years, in many cases, sanction for prosecution has been refused to C.B.I.;

(g) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(h) Government's reaction to the perception of the public that powerful public servants/politicians manage to manipulate delay/refusal in sanction to prosecution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (h) Several Ministries of the Government of India and some of the State Governments are concerned with processing of these cases. Each case is examined separately by the authorities concerned and decided on merit at the earliest.

Details of categories of cases and the period of pendency are as under:—

Category	Number
Demand of Bribe/Trap	11
Disproportionate Assets	16
Other Corruption Cases	65
Indian Passport Act	01

Category	Number
IPC (only) Sections	02
TOTAL:	**95**
Period of Pendency	Number
Over two years	02
Over one year	07
Over six months	13
Less than six months	73
TOTAL:	**95**

Corrupt Government officials

1107. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Government officials have been found guilty and crores of rupees unearthed by the C.B.I. from their houses in the last two years;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the details of concrete steps that have been taken or proposed to be taken for making Government's administrative machinery free from inefficiency, corruption and lethargy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) CBI conducts searches including at the houses as part of investigation depending on the facts and circumstances of cases. Details of searches form part of records of individual cases including those registered for amassing of disproportionate assets and no separate record is maintained about the amount recovered during searches.

(c) The Government has taken several steps to make the administrative machinery free from inefficiency, corruption and lethargy. These steps include formulation, monitoring and effective implementation of anti-corruption policies and practices, constitution of preventive anti-corruption bodies (CVC/CBI); establishing a system based on transparency in public procurement and management of public finances, and enactment of Right to Information Act, 2005.

Government organisations are constantly engaged in improving their functioning through e-Governance, issue of Citizen Charters and simplification of procedures and systems, which are aimed at eradicating corruption, by improving transparency and accountability.